GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Use of Pesticides for Killing Insects
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to review the list of pesticides used for killing insects in agricultural crops;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the revival procedure is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): The Government registers pesticides only after a detailed evaluation of safety and efficacy to human, animal and environmental health. Technical reviews are carried out from time to time and continued use of pesticides is permitted only if found safe. A technical review of 6 neo-nicotinoid class of pesticides which concluded in 2014, led to introduction of precautionary declarations on the labels of such pesticides. Report on a technical review of 66 pesticides banned, restricted, withdrawn in one or more countries is under consideration of the Government.

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